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Senate No. SJR0218 By Dixon

A RESOLUTION to honor Dr. Charles M. Temple for his exemplary service to the State Technical Institute at Memphis.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those exceptional individuals who, through their knowledge, skill and desire, make significant contributions to the future of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles M. Temple is one such remarkable person whose exceptional efforts as president of the State Technical Institute at Memphis should not go unrecognized; and WHEREAS, Dr. Temple has proven during his tenure at State Tech that he is more than capable of the herculean task of running a large and complex institution of higher learning; and WHEREAS, serving with distinction, unparalleled devotion, and a genuine concern for

others, Dr. Temple has earned the respect and esteem of State Tech students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community and state officials, and has proven that he is truly a consummate leader; and

WHEREAS, under his sagacious leadership, State Tech has received national recognition; the institution was named one of America's best two-year colleges by *U.S. News*

and World Report and has received national recognition for its innovative financial aid program; and

WHEREAS, at the helm of this important institution since 1983, Dr. Temple has given unreservedly of himself to initiate and develop advanced developmental, public relations, alumni, and grant programs, and the school has pursued and been awarded more than \$9 million in grant funding; and

WHEREAS, new, innovative programs implemented during Dr. Temple's tenure include an outstanding on-campus Microcomputer Resource Center; the Displaced Homemaker Program; a mentoring program with scholarship students and members of the business community; the Women and Minorities Program for State Tech graduates who wish to teach at their alma mater; a Technical Scholarship Program; the Rap Session Program to establish good rapport between students and administration; and the Campus Kids' Corner, a campus child care center for students and staff; and

WHEREAS, with his exceptional credentials, including valuable teaching experience, research efforts, and a host of professional affiliations, this state is fortunate to have Dr.

Temple heading one of our most important educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Temple received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Memphis State University and completed his doctoral studies in education administration, statistics and industrial education at the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Temple is also touted as a military expert in aviation maintenance, electronics, computers, logistics and finance, as he served the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps Reserves with distinction for many years, retiring in 1990 with the rank of colonel; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we honor this fine Tennessean who has made significant achievements in his chosen field and has contributed greatly to the future of higher education in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING,

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That we hereby honor and commend Dr. Charles M. Temple for his outstanding work as president of the State Technical Institute at Memphis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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